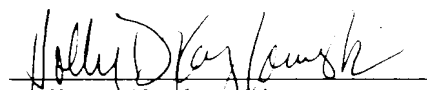


REMARKS

By the present Amendment, claims 13, 16, 20, 23 and 24 are amended to omit their multiple dependency. Additionally, claim 24 is amended to omit the recitation of a use and to recite a method of forming an intraocular lens, in accordance with the teachings throughout the specification. A Version With Markings Showing Changes Made is attached. Since these changes do not involve any introduction of new matter, entry is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS SHOWING CHANGES MADE

Claims 13, 16, 20, 23 and 24 are amended as follows:

13. (Amended) Photocrosslinkers according to claim 1 [or 7] provided with functional groups for crosslinking.

16. (Amended) A method of forming a macromolecular crosslinked network from an aqueous composition comprising a photocrosslinker according to [any of claims 1 to 14] claim 1 by irradiating with light exceeding a wavelength of about 305 nm for a time sufficient to form a solid article.

20. (Amended) A method according to [any of claims 16 to 19] claim 16, wherein an ophthalmic lens is produced from said composition.

23. (Amended) An ophthalmically acceptable composition comprising the photocrosslinkers according to [any of claims 1 to 15] claim 1, having a refractive index of at least 1.39 and a suitable viscosity to be injected through a standard cannula of 15 Gauge, or finer.

24. (Amended) [The use of photocrosslinkers according to any of claims 1 to 15 in] A method of forming an intraocular lens, comprising injecting an ophthalmically acceptable composition comprising photocrosslinker according to claim 1 [for injection] into the capsular bag of the eye.